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Convoy for Freedom Update 61

Next Report: February 20, 2022 4:00PM

MTO Status Updates

MTO MAG: Activated

Updates in Blue

Transportation Safety Statistics

- # of drivers licence suspension submissions received : 0.
- Non CVOR - # of vehicle plate suspension submissions received : 36, # of Ontario plates suspended : 12 . OOP plate seizure: 24
- CVOR - # of CVOR suspension submissions received : 35, # of CVOR suspension & seizure orders issued : 13, # OOP plate/permit seizure orders issued: 22.
- CVOR - # of CVOR warning submissions received : 53, # of CVOR warnings issued : 53.

Regional Updates

Region	Events:	Notes - Operational Updates and Impacts
WEST RAG: Activated	OPP stationed at both off ramps from EC row to Huron Church Road working on measures to prevent protestors from returning. Ambassador Bridge remains fully open. Canada-bound and US-bound traffic flowing freely.	OPP is aware MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers will be available upon request. MTO/AMC staff support possibly required by OPP. Staff are remaining on standby.
CENTRAL RAG: Activated	Regarding the “slow roll” in Niagara to the Fort Erie Peace Bridge, RAG continues to monitor with no indication of the Niagara convoy on the highway.	OPP activated the command post at COMPASS (Friday, Feb 18) at 6 am. Maintenance will be on standby however expect to be carrying out winter operations.

	There is also ongoing monitoring for slow roll protests along the Windsor to Toronto stretch of the 401.	30 TSD officers in staggered shifts of 6 am and noon will provide support today. 3 Central Operations staff will be at COMPASS to act as liaison between OPP and Maintenance. TSD Enforcement manager will also be at COMPASS with Manger, Traveller Communication. Staff from Highway Operations will not be onsite at Compass tomorrow. 17 Enforcement Officers deployed from Central Region to East Region in Ottawa to support police partners. OPP is aware that MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers and Maintenance staff continue to be available if they require additional support.
EAST RAG: Activated	Refer to the Municipal Issues section below. MTO assisting police provincially when required. Ramps into the downtown core of Ottawa have been closed.	50 MTO Enforcement Officers are in Ottawa/East Region supporting police response including 17 who have been redeployed from Central region. MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.

	No significant convoy activity noted on the 417. Highway 417 ramps have MTO officers present with an OPP patrol supporting if any issues arise. MTO officers are processing the vehicles when they arrive at the tow location.	
NORTHEAST RAG: Activated	Small local convoy planned in New Liskeard for Saturday, February 19 beginning at 11 AM. Route is 343 Whitewood Avenue to Armstrong Street, to Highway 65, to Highway 11. Route includes approximately 1.5 km of highway. Remainder of route is on municipal roads. As of 11:00am protest was moving through New Liskeard. Police stationed along route. Mostly pickups and passenger vehicles. Small convoy reported in North Bay around 1:00pm along Hwy 11/17 between O'Brien and Algonquin.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.
NORTHWEST RAG: Activated	Update as of 2:30pm today small convoy is making its way to Pigeon River border, see Municipal Impacts for more information.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.

OPS Building & Operations Issues

- No updates at this time.

Services Disruptions

- Metrolinx
 - No updates at this time.
- Active construction projects are being monitored for any impacts due to the protests.
- CBSA reports normal operations have resumed at the Ambassador Bridge.
- CBSA reports normal operations have resumed at the Peace Bridge.

Municipal Issues

- West - Windsor
 - No action anticipated in Windsor this weekend. Police have it under control and showing closures with barriers on their web site.
 - Access to Ambassador Bridge remains open.
- West – Strathroy
 - No updates at this time.
- Central – Niagara
 - No activity to report on the social media planned protest for today leaving Niagara on the lake to the Fort Erie Peace Bridge.
- Central – Toronto
 - Toronto Police have closed a number of roads around Queens Park in anticipation of protest activity.
- East – Ottawa
 - [TSD advises 76 tows as of 8:30am this morning.](#)
 - The Interim Police Chief of Ottawa mentions significant progress has been made (Ottawa briefing CTV Live).
 - Ottawa is reporting 170 arrests as of 3:30pm yesterday (Ottawa briefing CTV Live).
 - Key organizers have been arrested, and Ottawa police have created a hardened zone in the downtown core ([CTV News](#)).
- North West
 - Convoy left Terry Fox memorial with 127 passenger vehicles and four semi-trucks. Some from the convoy will make their way down Hwy 130 and Hwy 61 to Pigeon river border, and others will split off and meet up at the Marina For the protest there.

- A 15-vehicle convoy driving around Dryden with flags, no CMVs over 4500 kg.
 - Social media confirmed, the Feb 26th Nipigon Convoy will travel from Thunder Bay to Terrace Bay on the 26th direct then go to protest in Nipigon on the 27th.
- North East
 - No updates at this time.

Interprovincial / International Border Issues

- No updates at this time.